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SUBJECT: EDX: FY-74 PARTIAL IV CONSTANCE NTSHONA

1. NTSHONA DEPARTED U. S. JULY 26 FOR LONDON WHERE SHE WILL SPEND SEVERAL WEEKS WITH HER FAMILY. EXPECTS RETURN JOBURG ABOUT AUGUST 21.

2. IN RETURN VISIT TO WASHINGTON, SHE DISPLAYED HER USUAL DYNAMISM AND ENTHUSIASM, AND SEEMED THRILLED BY SUBSTANTIVE, SOCIAL AND SIGHTSEEING ASPECTS OF VISIT. AMONG HIGHLIGHTS OF VISIT WERE LARGE RECEPTIONS HOSTED BY CONGRESSMAN BINGHAM IN WASHINGTON AND STAFF OF CONGRESSWOMAN YVONNE BURKE IN LOS ANGELES (ATTENDED BY MAYOR BRADLEY).

3. ONE UNFORTUNATE ASPECT OF VISIT WAS THAT NTSHONA TOLERATED TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR BY HER ESCORT DURING TOUR, INFORMING US ONLY UPON RETURN TO WASHINGTON
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THAT ESCORT HAD DRANK HEAVILY AND WAS RUDE, INSENSITIVE AND ARROGANT. LS HAS BEEN ADVISED NOT TO USE THIS ESCORT AGAIN.

4. DESPITE BRIEFING IN WASHINGTON TO EXERCISE CARE IN STATEMENTS THAT MIGHT BE PUBLICIZED, NTSHONA REMAINED CHARACTERISTICALLY OUTSPOKEN, AND HER REMARKS PRINTED IN SIU CARBONDALE COLLEGE PAPER, IF PICKED UP BY SAG CLIPPING SERVICE, COULD MEAN TROUBLE UPON RETURN TO S.A. SHE SAID, IN EFFECT, THAT U. S. FIRMS THERE SHOULD FORCE SAG TO CEASE "INHUMAN" POLICIES OR PULL OUT. WILL ATTEMPT OBTAIN CLIPPING AND POUCH ASAP. KISSINGER

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